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Endoluminal stent having a matched stiffness region and/or a stiffness gradient and methods for providing stent kink resistance

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